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In re Application of

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METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR  
RECONSTRUCTING AN IMAGE  
FROM PROJECTION DATA  
ACQUIRED BY A  
CONE BEAM COMPUTED  
TOMOGRAPHY SYSTEM

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